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DAY OR NIGHT

Little Sammy
Dresser

By ESTHER VANDEVEER

"Well, I like that," exclaimed Sam Dresser as he opened and read a letter left by the postman on his morning round.

The letter referred to was addressed to Samuel E. Dresser. Sam had no middle name. It notified him that his uncle, William Dresser, had died and left a son, Samuel, six years old. William Dresser had provided in his will that this boy, having no mother, should go to live with his cousin, Samuel E. Dresser, who was to be his guardian. In case Mr. Dresser declined the charge, then Miss Amelia Wilkins, a distant relative, was to take his place. The writer had no knowledge of Miss Wilkins except that the testator had attached to the will her photograph, with her address written on the back. This he inclosed.

Dresser looked at the photograph and fell in love with it. It may seem singular that a man should fall in love with a photograph. But why not? This girl looked at Dresser but of a pair of honest, merry eyes that seemed to say to him, "You are my fate, and I will love you forever." It is difficult for some persons while looking at picture plays to remember that the players are mere photographs. One can imagine a man falling in love with a woman on the screen. Is it much more to fall in love with a single photograph of her?

Anyway, Miss Wilkins in the photograph looked at Dresser in a way that made him long to meet her. The letter had evidently been delivered to the wrong Dresser. Sam concluded that he would try to find the right one through Miss Wilkins. He wrote her a note stating the case as it was, but tore it up and wrote another in the name of the orphan, stating that his father had died and left him to the care of "Uncle Sam," but Uncle Sam wouldn't have him, so, according to the will, he was to go to Cousin Amelia. Back came a reply stating that Uncle Sam was a hard-hearted wretch and Sammie must come to Cousin Amelia. She would take care of him and love him dearly.

"All of which means," said Sam to himself, "that I will be glad to take care of her and love her dearly."

The photograph did not represent a girl over seventeen or eighteen, and Sam was only nineteen. What did the scamp do but dress himself up in knickerbockers and a short coat and, taking a carriage, drive up to Miss Wilkins' house. There he told the maid who admitted him to tell Cousin Amelia that he was Sammie Dresser.

When Amelia Wilkins came downstairs to greet her cousin she was somewhat astonished to see an overgrown boy who looked too old for his clothes. Her first thought was "What shall I do with him?" She received him as kindly as possible, then, going upstairs, consulted an aunt with whom she lived, for Amelia, too, was an orphan, and the two sat down to the problem of whether to turn out little Sammie Dresser to the mercies of the world or take charge of him.

Upon the advice of her aunt, Amelia returned to Sammie and told him that she had supposed him to be a child, but, seeing that he was old enough to take care of himself, she did not think it would be proper for her to adopt him. Sam replied that he had been thinking there must be some mistake.

Sam departed, leaving her the letter which had induced him to call upon her. In the course of a week he called in propria persona. When Miss Wilkins looked at him she was as much astonished as she was when he called on her before.

"You find me changed, don't you?" said Sam innocently and in his own natural deep voice. He had used a falsetto before. "My father kept me back, treating me as a child. You made me see how much behind my age I was. When I left you I resolved to be a man."

Miss Wilkins was so puzzled that for awhile she did not know what to do or say, but Dresser looked so proud of himself for throwing off the coddling influences which had kept him back that she gradually became accustomed to the change, and Sam spent a very happy evening with her.

When Dresser departed he was cordially invited to call again. Before doing so he sent a basket of cut flowers to Miss Wilkins with a note confessing the fact that when her photograph had fallen into his hands he had been so bewitched by it that he could not resist the temptation to use the mistake that had been made to make her acquaintance. He threw himself on her mercy.

Miss Wilkins was very merciful. Indeed, she had a keen eye for the ludicrous and was very mindful over her admirer's attempt to personate a small boy. Sam followed up the flowers with a call and an invitation to dine with him in the park. Whether it was the absurdity of his act or the course that led him to it is not known, but it is quite likely that it was the latter. Sam was a fine fellow, and a woman is not likely to spurn devotion. At any rate, Miss Wilkins consented to become Mrs. Dresser.

One day the husband and wife were strolling in the park when a little boy rolling a hoop ran against them. Among other questions, they asked him his name.

"I'm Sammie Dresser," was his reply.

Both Sam and Amelia burst into a laugh. Not hearing from Sam or Amelia, the lawyer who had written to Sam had adopted the boy.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Look for Shea's big ad. Tuesday evening.

Meet George, Congregational church, Feb. 20—adv.

Have you seen the new silk waists for \$2.98 at Fitts?

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The ladies of the G. A. R. will hold a special meeting in their hall Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

There will be a meeting of the ladies' aid society of St. Monica's church at the convent Tuesday evening at 7:30.

Odd Fellows and Rebekah sleighride to Plainfield Monday night. Barge leaves I. O. O. F. hall at 6 o'clock sharp.

Wilfred Marmon of 42 Park street was taken to the city hospital Saturday for an operation. His condition is serious.

The Nature Study class will meet at the home of Miss Mary Carleton, 21 Highland avenue, this evening at 7:30; subject, "Winter Birds."

Traflet Verner, who was locked up on an intoxication charge Saturday, paid a fine of \$5 and costs for a first offense when arraigned in Magistrate H. W. Scott's court this morning.

All the ladies are cordially invited to a 500 party to be held in the K. of P. hall Thursday, Feb. 15, beginning at 2:30 p. m., for the benefit of the Barre City hospital. Prizes will be awarded. Refreshments served. Admission, 25c.

Owing to the Montpelier city hall being engaged, the next rehearsal, Feb. 13, of the Montpelier Choral society will be held in the Kellogg-Hobart library. During the intermission Perley Pitkin of Montpelier will render a selection.

Under the direction of the civic department, the Barre Woman's club will hold a thimble party in K. of P. hall Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A program will be given and light refreshments served. All club members invited.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rae of East Montpelier and their daughter, Mrs. Harry McAllister of East Barre, are in the city, having been called here by the illness and death of John Rae, who passed away at his home on Pleasant street last evening.

The annual concert and ball of the Montpelier fire department will be held in city hall, Montpelier, Feb. 15. Take your folks and come down for a good time. There will be plenty of tickets at the box office. Strictly informal and everybody invited.

Under the auspices of the Barre Teachers' association, Miss Agnes O. Hersey of Bangor, Me., will give several readings, interspersed with musical selections by local talent, at the Spaulding assembly hall Thursday, Feb. 15, at 8 o'clock. Miss Hersey will be remembered by her readings which pleased a large number at the Congregational church last year. Admission, 25c.

However much patriotic citizens may have paid fealty to Lincoln's memory in their hearts to-day, there were few outward evidences of the great emancipator's anniversary. Money changing went on much as if no one recalled the historical happening of 108 years ago to-day. In some instances flags were displayed and there were merchants who took pains to exhibit Lincoln pictures in their windows. Nothing of a formal observance attached to the day in the public schools.

Among the guests registered at Hotel Barre through the week end were the following people: Mr. and Mrs. A. Denmore of Windsor, Edward Olson of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Grey of New York, Miss Agnes O. Hersey of Corinth, Me., M. B. Emerson of Hartford, 20 members of "Bringing Up Father" company, William J. Sutherland of Hartford, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burns of Rochester, N. Y., C. A. Boyd of Burlington, N. K. Lyons and J. R. Gates of Greenfield, Me., and A. C. Cain of Lynn, Mass.

An overheated chimney at No. 5 Bugbee avenue gave the men an opportunity to rehearse in the test hour this morning. The truck left the station at 9:30 o'clock, just as the general test was being given. Afterward regulars were left on the avenue to guard against any outbreak of fire in the long tenement building that flanks the little thoroughfare on the east. There was no damage and the auto truck left the avenue for a cold-weather test on some of the hills in the village of Washington street. Early Sunday evening a stovepipe in the house at 56 South Main street sent in its resignation as a conductor and the fire station was asked to send around a man. Smoke filled the room and continued to fill until a damper in the pipe was righted.

Memories of a meeting with two strangers who relieved him of \$30 in money were mixed up in the morning-after headaches of John J. Mattison at police headquarters yesterday, but an all-day search by the officers failed to disclose any clue that might lead to the arrest of the pair befriended by Mattison. The man was released from the county jail Saturday morning with \$40 in his pocket, the fruits of a month and more in the woods as a chopper. "Ere nightfall a double portion of hard luck had been meted out to the woodsman, for the willing strangers had got in their work and the police had locked up their victim. Mattison, who hails from Cambridge, Mass., pleaded guilty and admitted the charge when arraigned before Magistrate H. W. Scott in city court this forenoon and received a sentence of 30 days in the county jail.

Returning home from a neighborhood call, Mrs. Margaret Stephens of Maple avenue found herself in the hands of 40 friends who had taken possession of the house during her absence. The gathering was very much in the nature of a surprise party for Mrs. Stephens, but she did not forget the role of hostess assigned to her and the unannounced guests were royally entertained. One of the pleasant features of the affair was the presentation of an electric reading lamp to Mrs. Stephens, the speech being made by William W. Russell. In an impromptu program that followed, George Brand presented his musical chorus girls from Montpelier in a tuneful sketch and James Freeland appeared to advantage in a lively revival of the fisher's hornpipe. Others who contributed to the program were: George Fraser, with a vocal solo, Miss Grant with a Scotch reading, and Alex Miller. Miss Stephens and George Cooper furnished piano and violin accompaniments. Refreshments of coffee and cake were served.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank all the friends and neighbors for their kindness shown us during the illness and death of our beloved mother, and also for the many beautiful flowers.

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We have a few extra good Winter Suit values left that we are putting out at prices that should surely appeal to any who want a Suit to finish out the season. Here are Suits that sold at \$25.00 and \$22.50, now to close at \$5.98. The style is very good, at that.

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Here are some special Skirt values that are being picked up very fast. They are a lot of odd Skirts in the best of materials, and the Skirts are all in very good style. These are Skirts that sold at from \$5.00 to \$12.00, now to clean up stock at only one-half the original price.

Special Dress Values

We are giving you a chance for the next ten days to get what you may want in Wool and Silk Dresses at special reduced prices.

We have a few odd Silk Dresses at only one-half the original price.

At \$8.00 and \$10.00 are what we have left in Wool Dresses that sold at \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$12.50. These are the season's best values in our latest models.



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We have just taken on one of the best Taffetas that we can buy. This is a pure Silk Taffeta, so highly advertised in all leading periodicals. It's the Money-bak Silk Taffeta in Black and Colors. Ask to see why it is better.

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Dr. Clarence F. Worthen, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. H. O. Worthen of Keith avenue, for two weeks, left Saturday for Springfield, Mass., to visit his brother, E. N. Worthen, before returning to Boston, where he is a member of the staff of the eye and ear infirmary.

The fifth sewing meeting of the ladies of the hospital aid will be held at the hospital Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The need is urgent and the response by the ladies at the four previous meetings has been much less than was hoped for. A large attendance Wednesday would be greatly appreciated.

News has been received at the home of Amelio Gariboldi in Barre of the death of Mr. Gariboldi's grandfather, Gandolfo Santino, a sculptor of ability, in Biadene, Italy, the death occurring on Dec. 26. Mr. Santino was 96 years of age. The deceased was well known and many people learned their trade of him. One of the many important works cut by him was the statue of Giuseppe Garibaldi erected in the public square of Luino. The statue was cut by him almost half a century ago and since then a great anniversary celebration was held, to which Mr. Santino was invited. A banquet was given by the society people of Luino and great praise was given the sculptor. Mr. Santino responded, thanking the people heartily and offering to cut, free, a manuscript of letters on the same work cut by him many years ago. At that time he was 86 years old but still ambitious and desirous of completing the work. Many people looked upon the clever work of the aged man with astonishment as he completed the statue. Mr. Santino's death is mourned by many. Among those in Barre are a daughter, Mrs. Rosa Gariboldi; three grandchildren, Amelio Gariboldi, Miss Alvena Gariboldi and Mrs. Joseph Cassani, and one great granddaughter, Miss Jennie Cassani.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Miss Ethel Warden left this morning for St. Johnsbury, where she is making a visit of several days with friends.

The fourth in the series of readings in literature by members of the Spaulding high school faculty, which was to be held this evening, has been postponed to next Monday evening, when Miss Robinson will be the entertainer.

This evening in Manufacturers' hall William Milne of the William Milne Granite Co. will speak on "Wholesale Sketches for the Manufacturer," the occasion being the fourth of a series of educational meetings conducted under the auspices of the Barre Manufacturers' association. The entertainment committee will serve a buffet luncheon after the open forum meeting that is to follow Mr. Milne's address.

Iris Albert Simonds, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Simonds, passed away at 3 Second street Sunday morning, the end following a week's illness of measles. Besides her parents, the child leaves an elder sister, Doris Simonds, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Simonds of Hill street and her grandfather, Albert Bowen of Randolph April 29, 1916 and was, therefore, ten months old. Private funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Rev. B. G. Lipsky, pastor of the Hedding Methodist church, will officiate and the body is to be placed in the vault at Elmwood cemetery to await interment at Hope cemetery in the spring.

Card of Thanks.

The members of the talent committee of the woman's club wish to express their appreciation to the many participants in "The Wishing Ring," to the chaperones for their services rendered and to all who in any way assisted in making the production a success for the woman's club.

Miss Ellen Hoar,
Mrs. A. W. Beattie,
Miss Mildred Phelps,
Mrs. Grant Lane,
Mrs. William Cole, Jr.

WAITSFIELD

Funeral of Ziba H. McAllister, Prominent Citizen, Held Saturday.

Funeral services of Ziba H. McAllister, a life-long resident and prominent citizen of Waitsfield, were held Saturday, Feb. 10, at his late residence in the village, at 1 p. m. The funeral was well attended, Mad River lodge, F. and A. M., No. 77, and the Knights Templar attending in a body, 40 being in line. The officiating clergyman was Rev. William Ganley, pastor of the Congregational church at Norfolk, Mass., a former Waitsfield Congregational church pastor and a close personal friend of the deceased. Mr. Ganley was assisted by Rev. Isaac Melior, pastor of the Waitsfield M. E. church, of which Mr. McAllister was a prominent member and worker. The Masonic funeral and burial services were used, Harry Ellis of Huntington being chaplain. Interment was in the family lot in the village cemetery, the bearers being Wallace W. Howe, D. H. Skinner, W. C. Joslyn, James A. Erwin, Harve W. McAllister, and George Bulkeley of Moretown.

Ziba Hamilton McAllister was born in Waitsfield Aug. 27, 1841, the oldest son of William and Anna Lavone (Green) McAllister. Dec. 7, 1870, he married Retsey A. Jones. To them was born one son, Harry Martin, Oct. 3, 1871, who died Dec. 5, 1895. Mr. McAllister has been a prominent and worthy citizen, as a glance at his lifework will show. When 21 years of age, he enlisted in the Civil war, in Co. B, 13th Vermont volunteers, and served as orderly for Col. Randall. In November, 1863, he re-enlisted in Co. C, First Vermont cavalry. His war record was honorable and active. He did picket duty on the Rapidan river with Gen. Kilpatrick and was with Sheridan and Wilson in their famous raids at the Wilderness, Beaver Dam and Shenandoah Valley, and the battle of Winchester, until he was finally disabled by a pistol shot, breaking three ribs in his left side. He was discharged in July, 1865. He was one of the charter members of Ainsworth post, No. 36, G. A. R., also prominent in Masonic and Knights Templar circles. He served the town for 24 years as postmaster and was largely instrumental in the project of erecting the Joslyn Memorial library. For many years he served as funeral director, was constable for five years, member of the school board and doorkeeper of the Vermont Senate. In his capacity as a musician, he was leader of the Waitsfield band.

for many years and also leader of the choir of the M. E. church.

Mr. McAllister had been up and around town until the last ten days. The end came Thursday morning, Feb. 8, from hiccoughs, which could not be stopped.

He is survived by his wife and one brother, William W. McAllister of Iasville, and a large number of nephews and nieces. Those attending from out of town were Mrs. McAllister's brother, Carlos Jones of Sharon; Walter Harrington and daughter, Angie, of North Pomfret; Joseph Brown, Montpelier; Harry McAllister, Burlington; and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence C. Howd, Montpelier.

Aaron Somerville of Waterbury was a week-end guest of his sister, Mrs. Levi Royce.

Edward Foley, who has been confined to his home for several weeks past with quinsy sore throat, is able to sit up.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barnard are in Warren, at Mrs. Barnard's parents', Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence C. Howd of Montpelier are spending several days with relatives in town.

Miss Elsa Ketchum has gone to the home of her sister, Mrs. George I. Cota, on German flats.

Harold LaMorder went Sunday as railway mail clerk on the run from White River Junction to St. Albans.

Rev. William Ganley of Norfolk, Mass., former pastor of the Congregational church, occupied the pulpit Sunday.

Albert Barnard sustained injuries to his knee while at work at W. C. Joslyn's and is using crutches.

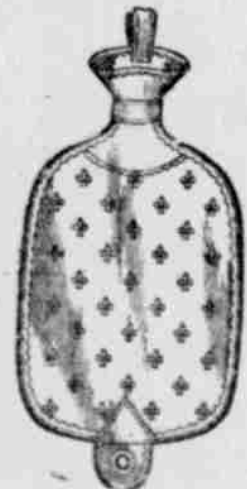
The Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church has purchased new hymnals for their Sunday night service, and a song service was held Sunday evening.

Harry W. Belden, while leaving the train at Middlesex Saturday, slipped and fractured his leg, so that he returned immediately to Burlington to the hospital for treatment.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors and all who in any way did anything to help during the death and illness of her whom we loved so well, also the singers at the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Magoon,
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